

Qualifications
and term of
commissioner to
be elected at
such meeting.

Each owner
entitled to one
vote for each
acre of land
or fraction
thereof owned
by him.

Quorum.

If quorum
not present,
C. S. C. of Cum-
berland County
to appoint
commissioner.

Method of
filing vacancies.

Chairman of
said board.

Secretary.

Office of treas-
urer of said
district created.

Election of
treasurer.

public places in said county. Such hour and place shall be determined by the secretary. At such meeting there shall be elected one commissioner who shall be an owner of land in said district but need not be a resident of said district and who shall serve for a period of three years from the next succeeding October first or until his successor shall be elected or appointed and shall have qualified. The owners of land, assembled in such meeting, shall organize by the election of a chairman to preside at such meeting and a secretary to record the minutes of such meeting. Each owner of land shall be entitled to cast one vote for each acre of land or fraction thereof owned by him and shall be entitled to vote either in person or through his representative duly authorized in writing. A majority of the total number of votes which may be cast by all owners of land in the district shall be necessary to constitute a quorum. If there shall not be a quorum at any such meeting the secretary of the district shall file a certificate to that effect with the Clerk of the Superior Court of Cumberland County and said clerk shall, as soon as practicable thereafter and not later than the next succeeding first day of October, appoint a duly qualified person to serve as commissioner of said district for the term of three years beginning on such October first or until his successor shall have been duly elected or appointed and has qualified.

SEC. 5. If a vacancy shall occur in the office of any commissioner by death, resignation or otherwise, the two remaining members shall elect a duly qualified person to fill the vacancy and if the remaining commissioners fail to fill the vacancy within thirty days after it occurs, the Clerk of the Superior Court of Cumberland County shall appoint some duly qualified person to fill such vacancy. Each person elected or appointed to hold any office in said district shall, before entering upon the duties of his office, take and subscribe to the oath required by Section seven of Article six of the Constitution.

SEC. 6. Said R. H. Maxwell, who is now acting as chairman of said board of drainage commissioners, shall continue to be such chairman until the first day of October, one thousand nine hundred and forty-four. As soon as practicable after the first day of October in each year, beginning with the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four, said board shall elect one of its members to be chairman for the year ending on the next succeeding October first. Said board shall also appoint a secretary, who may or may not be a member of said board, to act as such secretary until the next succeeding October first.

SEC. 7 There is hereby created the office of treasurer of said district. The treasurer shall perform such duties as may be imposed upon him by this Act. Immediately after the ratification of this Act the board of drainage commissioners of said district shall elect a treasurer to hold office until the first